State of California

Department of Education

LAST MINUTE MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 8, 2004

TO: MEMBERS, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: Sue Stickel, Deputy Superintendent

Curriculum and Instruction Branch

RE: Item No. 34

SUBJECT: Immediate Intervention/Underperforming Schools Program (II/USP):

Proposed Intervention for (Cohorts I and II) schools that failed to show

significant growth.

Attached are two charts, one for II/USP Cohort I and one for Cohort II, which indicate that two additional II/USP schools are subject to state sanctions (Biggs High School in Biggs Unified and Morningside High School in Inglewood Unified). The charts provide the appropriate years of Base Academic Performance Index (API), Growth API, and whether or not the school made schoolwide and comparable growth targets. Biggs High School failed to demonstrate significant growth on the 2003 API. Morningside High School does not have valid 2003 API Growth data and, based on the STAR data, does not meet the alternative criteria for demonstrating significant growth adopted by the Board in January 2004.

In addition, Biggs Elementary School was deemed state-monitored at the November 2003 State Board meeting. Since then the school has submitted corrected API data. The newly calculated growth API shows that the school has made significant growth. Therefore, based on the new data, California Department of Education (CDE) is requesting that the Board reverse its decision to deem Biggs Elementary a statemonitored school and instead place the school "on watch" for the 2003-04 school year.

Attachment 1: II/USP Cohort I Schools Subject to State Intervention (1 Page)
Attachment 2: II/USP Cohort II Schools Subject to State Intervention (1 Page)

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II/USP Cohort I Schools Subject to State Intervention													
				2001	2001			2002	2002			2003	2003
		2000	2001	SCH	COMP	2001	2002	SCH	COMP	2002	2003	SCH	COMP
District	School	Base	GROWTH	WIDE	IMP	Base	GROWTH	WIDE	IMP	Base	GROWTH	WIDE	IMP
Biggs Unified	Biggs High	652	-64	No	No	590	50	Yes	Yes	626	-2	No	Unknown

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II/USP Cohort II Schools Subject to State Intervention													
District	School		2001 GROWTH (planning)		2001 COMP IMP	2001 Base	2002 GROWTH		2002 COMP IMP	2002 Base	2003 GROWTH	2003 SCH WIDE	2003 COMP IMP
Inglewood Unified	Morningside High	462	13	No	No	489	-6	No	No	*	*	*	*